

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

<b>IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT FILED</b>	)	<b>ORDER CONSOLIDATING</b>
<b>BY JERRY R. OURADA, SIOUX FALLS,</b>	)	<b>DOCKETS FOR PURPOSES</b>
<b>SOUTH DAKOTA, AGAINST WORLDCOM</b>	)	<b>OF THE HEARING</b>
<b>REGARDING UNAUTHORIZED SWITCHING OF</b>	)	
<b>SERVICES</b>	)	<b>CT01-005</b>
<b>IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT FILED</b>	)	
<b>BY JOHN P. DONAHOE, SIOUX FALLS,</b>	)	
<b>SOUTH DAKOTA, AGAINST WORLDCOM</b>	)	<b>CT01-006</b>
<b>REGARDING UNAUTHORIZED SWITCHING OF</b>	)	
<b>SERVICES</b>	)	

On February 5, 2001, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a complaint filed by Jerry R. Ourada, Sioux Falls, South Dakota (Complainant), against WorldCom (WorldCom) regarding unauthorized switching of services.

On February 6, 2001, the complaint was faxed to WorldCom. Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:09, WorldCom was notified that it must satisfy the complaint or file an answer in writing with the Commission by February 26, 2001.

On February 7, 2001, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a complaint filed by John P. Donahoe, Sioux Falls, South Dakota (Complainant), against WorldCom (WorldCom) regarding unauthorized switching of services.

On February 7, 2001, the complaint was faxed to WorldCom. Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:09, WorldCom was notified that it must satisfy the complaint or file an answer in writing with the Commission by February 27, 2001.

On February 26, 2001, the Commission received answers in the above referenced complaints and a motion to consolidate Dockets CT01-005 and CT01-006 from WorldCom.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26, 49-13, including 49-13-1 through 49-13-14, inclusive, and SDCL Chapter 49-31, including 49-31-3, 49-31-7, 49-31-7.1, 49-31-7.2, 49-31-7.3, 49-31-7.4, 49-31-10, 49-31-11, 49-31-38, 49-31-38.1, 49-31-38.2, 49-31-38.3, 49-31-89 through 49-31-97, inclusive, and ARSD Chapters 20:10:01 and 20:10:34.

On March 6, 2001, at a duly noticed meeting, the Commission voted unanimously to consolidate Dockets CT01-005 and CT01-006 for purposes of the hearing. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Dockets CT01-005 and CT01-006 shall be consolidated for

purposes of the hearing.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 9th day of March, 2001.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served on all parties to this proceeding in accordance with the rules of the court and the provisions of the law.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

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PAM NELSON, Commissioner